

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces the previous versions, and listings, of claims in the present application.

Claims 1 and 10 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently amended) A method of controlling physical distribution as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

receiving an address of said destination through a communication network; and

converting said address into said position data to record said position data on said recording medium.

3. (Currently amended) A method of controlling a physical distribution as claimed in claim 2, wherein said step of converting said address ~~comprising said step of~~ comprises converting a position of a gate at said address into said position data.

4. (Currently amended) ~~A method of controlling physical distribution as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:~~ A method of controlling physical distribution comprising the steps of:

recording position data including latitude and longitude data of a destination of freight on a recording medium provided to said freight;

controlling said physical distribution on the basis of said position data to deliver said freight;

providing a reader for reading said position data on said recording medium at sites;

reading said position data by one of said sites which receives said freight;

converting said position data read by said one of said sites into language data indicating said destination in a language used ~~at~~ within an area where said one of said sites exists; and

indicating said position data with said language data.

5. (Currently amended) ~~A method of controlling physical distribution as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:~~ A method of controlling physical distribution comprising the steps of:

recording position data including latitude and longitude destination data of freight on a recording medium provided to said freight;

controlling said physical distribution based on said position data to deliver said freight;

providing a reader for reading said position data on said recording medium at sites;

reading said position data by one of said sites dealing with said freight;

converting said position data into language data indicating said destination in a language used ~~at~~ within an area of said one of said sites dealing with said freight; and

indicating said position data with said language data.

6. (Currently amended) A method of controlling physical distribution as claimed in claim 14, wherein said recording medium comprises an at least write once read memory, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a reader for reading said position data on said recording medium;

reading said position data; and

recording another position data of a place where said position data is read, wherein said another position data includes another latitude and longitude data.

7. (Currently amended) A method of controlling physical distribution as claimed in claim 14, wherein said position data further includes altitude data of said destination.

8. (Currently amended) A method of controlling physical distribution as claimed in claim 14, further comprising the steps of:

providing a map displaying unit and a GPS unit to a deliverer for said physical distribution;

converting said position data from said recording medium into map position data;
and

displaying a present position from said GPS unit and said map position data on said map displaying unit.

9. (Currently amended) A method of controlling physical distribution as claimed in claim ~~4~~ 4, further comprising the steps of:

providing a reader for reading said position data and a GPS unit to a deliverer for said physical distribution;

comparing said position data with present position data from said GPS unit when said freight is handed; and

outputting a result of said comparison.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently amended) A physical distribution control system as claimed in claim ~~10~~ 13, further comprising:

receiving means for receiving said address of said destination through a communication network; and

converting means for converting said address into said position data to record said position data on said recording medium.

12. (Currently amended) A physical distribution control system as claimed in claim ~~11~~ 13, wherein said converting means converts a position of a gate at said address into said position data.

13. (Currently amended) A physical distribution control system ~~as claimed in claim 10,~~
comprising:

sites for receiving, forwarding, and delivering freight;

recording means for recording position data including latitude and longitude destination
data of said freight on a recording medium provided to said freight; and

control means for controlling said physical distribution system based on said position
data to receive, forward, and deliver said freight,

wherein each of said sites includes:

a reader for reading said position data on said recording medium;

converting means for converting said position data read by said reader into
language data in a language used ~~at~~ within an area where said one of said sites exists; and

indicating means for indicating said position data with said language data.

14. (Currently amended) A physical distribution control system ~~as claimed in claim 10~~,
comprising:

sites for receiving, forwarding, and delivering freight;

recording means for recording position data including latitude and longitude destination
data of said freight on a recording medium provided to said freight; and

control means for controlling said physical distribution system based on said position
data to receive, forward, and deliver said freight,

wherein each of said sites comprising:

a reader for reading said position data on said recording medium;

converting means for converting said position data into language data in a
language used ~~at~~ within an area of one of said sites dealing with said freight; and

indicating means for indicating said position data with said language data.

15. (Currently amended) A physical distribution control system as claimed in claim ~~10~~ 13,
wherein said recording medium comprises an at least write once read memory, and each of said
sites includes:

a reader for reading said position data on said recording medium; and

recording means for recording another position data of a place where said position
data is read, said another position data includes another latitude and longitude data.

16. (Currently amended) A physical distribution control system as claimed in claim ~~10~~ 13, wherein said position data further includes altitude data of said destination.

17. (Currently amended) A physical distribution control system as claimed in claim ~~10~~ 13, wherein said sites ~~include~~:include deliverers, each of which further includes:

a map displaying unit and a GPS unit;

converting means for converting said position data from said recording medium into map position data; and

displaying means for displaying a present position from said GPS unit and said map position data on said map displaying unit.

18. (Currently amended) A physical distribution control system as claimed in claim ~~10~~ 13, wherein said sites ~~include~~:include deliverers, each of which further includes:

a reader for reading said position data and a GPS unit;

comparing means for comparing said position data with present position data from said GPS unit when said freight is ~~handed~~ handled; and

outputting means for outputting a result of said comparison.